The Seattle Flight Standards District Office, Clover Park Technical College, and the Museum of Flight proudly present:

ATC Communication Techniques

Ever since 9-11-2001, the Air Traffic facilities have been locked down tight with security measures. Only government employees are allowed past the fences. Our ATC friends are frustrated by the fact that tours and the popular Rain Check programs are no longer possible. So we are making room at our monthly seminars to re-establish some informal verbal interaction between pilots and controllers. This month we will be featuring Brian Krizek and Tom Torchia, radar controllers from the Air Route Traffic Control Center in Auburn, who will cover a variety of subjects including VFR Flight Following procedures. Also on stage will be Craig Turner from the Seattle Flight Service Station who will be covering a variety of topics including the dissemination of Temporary Flight Restriction information.

There is no charge for the seminars and reservations are NOT required. Of course, it qualifies for the seminar portion of the FAA Pilot Proficiency Awards Program (WINGS). Fly-In parking is available at Clover Park. Contact Keith Dyson at 253-583-8923 for details. Fly-In parking may be available at the Museum of Flight. Reservations are required for Museum Fly-In parking. (Recent Museum construction may temporarily prohibit fly-in parking). Fly-In pilots please call 206-764-5700, x379 at least 24 hours ahead of time. Also, Fly-In pilots please review the Hand Signals in paragraph 4-3-25 of the Aeronautical Information Manual.

See you there!

Wednesday April 28 - 7:00PM Clover Park Technical College SE corner of the Pierce Co. (Thun) Airport Puyallup, WA (go south on Meridian, turn left on 176th St, left again on 110th Ave. E.) Thursday April 29 - 7:00PM at the Museum of Flight SW corner of Boeing Field Seattle, WA

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WINGS

The FAA's Pilot Proficiency Awards Program, commonly referred to as WINGS is an excellent way to brush up on the essentials of flight. With WINGS we encourage pilots to establish and maintain their own annual refresher training program. WINGS is a voluntary program - you participate only if you choose to. Completion of any phase of WINGS takes the place of a Biennial Flight Review.

WINGS consists of your attendance at an FAA sponsored safety seminar and three hours of refresher flight training from the instructor of your choice. For airplane pilots, the three hours of training include one hour of landings, one hour of instrument (either in an airplane or in a simulator), and one hour of maneuvers. Landings training because the leading cause of general aviation airplane accidents in America is landings. Instrument training because continued VFR into deteriorating visibility is the leading cause of fatal general aviation accidents in America. The maneuvers are included because the stall/spin accident continues to be a problem. You don't actually have to do spins unless you, your instructor, and the airplane want to. What we're really looking for is a review of steep turns, slow flight and stalls.

Currently there are 10 phases to the WINGS program. The three hours of training remain the same each time you go through the program, the phases refer to how many times you have participated. WINGS is designed to be an annual training program with at least one year in between (well, 11 months at least). It is perfectly acceptable to wait more than one year, then take the training and you will still qualify for the next phase of WINGS.

The seminar advertised on the front of this flyer is accredited as a WINGS safety seminar. When you attend you will receive an attendance card verifying that you attended. On that card is room for your name, address, and instructor's verification of the flight training. Be sure to circle the phase of WINGS you are eligible for, and return the completed card to the FSDO address at the bottom of the card. Your WINGS will be mailed to you in a couple of weeks. May you always find VFR and tailwinds.